# **Department Of Civil Engineering**

## **GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY**

Geotechnical engineering is a branch of civil engineering concerned with the engineering behaviour of earth materials. It uses principles of soil mechanics and rock mechanics to investigate subsurface conditions and materials, determine the relevant physical and chemical properties of these materials.

**Objectives:-** The student will gain hands-on experience in conducting soil laboratory tests to determine soil parameters needed for geotechnical engineering design, and to communicate this information with others





### List of Experiment:-

Determination of natural moisture content using oven drying method.

Specific gravity of soil grains by density bottle method or pycnometer method.

Field density using core cutter method

Field density using s replacement method.

- Field identification of fine grained soils
- Grain size distribution by sieve analysis

Grain size distribution by hydrometer analysis

- Consistency limits: Liquid limit, plastic limit
- +Consistency limit: Shrinkage limit
- Permeability test using constant head method
- Permeability test using falling head method
- Compaction test: stard proctor / IS light compaction

Compaction test: modified proctor / IS heavy compaction

- Relative density
- Differential free swell index test/ un-restrained swell test
- Determination of Pre-consolidation pressure coefficient of consolidation from one dimensional consolidation Test
- Determination of shear parameters form unconsolidated undrained tri-axial compression test.
- **Determination of shear parameters from direct shear Test.**
- **Determination** of cohesion from unconfined compression test.
- Determination of CBR value from CBR Test.
- **Determination of shear strength of soft clays from vane shear test**
- Determination of swelling pressure of clays.

#### **List of Instruments:-**

Consolidation Test Apparatus
Tri-Axial Compression Test Apparatus
Direct Shear Test Apparatus
CBR Test Apparatus.
Unconfined Compression Test Apparatus
Laboratory VANE Shear Apparatus Hand Operated
Consistency Limit Apparatus
Universal or combination permeability Apparatus: Accessories
Soil Hydrometer:
Core Cutter (Cylindrical)

### **Instruments Picture:-**

**Tri-Axial Compression Test Apparatus** 







